

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Prowling and Theft Arrest

Location: 900 Block of Woodstock Ln.

Date/Time Occurred: 8/12/20 8:25 AM

<u>Officer(s) Involved:</u> Ventura Police Patrol, Ventura Police Patrol Task Force (PTF)

Suspect(s): Trace Mullen (5/25/92) Vagrant

Report #: 20-52894

Narrative:

On the above date and time, several residents on Woodstock Lane observed a subject, later identified as Trace Mullen, enter the open side yard of a home in the 900 block of their street. They watched as Mullen entered and exited the rear yard several times. The last time Mullen left, he was in possession of a mountain bike. The residents called 911 and Mullen was detained a short distance away by Patrol Task Force Officers. Mullen was still in possession of the stolen bike. The homeowner was contacted and confirmed the bike belonged to them, and Mullen did not have permission to be in the yard. Mullen was arrested for prowling and theft.

A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website revealed Mullen has been arrested over thirty times since 2014. His most recent charges include lewd conduct, vehicle tampering, violation of a court order, possession of drug paraphernalia, prowling and burglary.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.